

Mead Announces Change In Division Supervision Sylva, Lynchburg Plants

Paul C. Ellis Transferred To Lynchburg Plant, J. R. Buchanan To Sylva

After ten years as manager of the Sylva Division of The Mead Corporation, Paul C. Ellis will leave Sylva within the next few weeks for Lynchburg, Va., to become division manager of the plant in that city. J. Ramsey Buchanan is being transferred from Harriman, Tenn. plant to the Sylva plant to fill the office being vacated by Mr. Ellis' transfer.

Mr. Ellis, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, began his connection with Mead 19 years ago, starting in Lynchburg, and then at Harriman as pulp mill superintendent. He was transferred to Sylva in 1938 and has since that time been in his present position.

Under the management of Mr. Ellis the Sylva plant has made considerable expansion, especially during the past two years, of which some of the building program is still under construction. A modern office building has just been completed. Labor-Management relations have been exceptionally good under his direction.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis and family have won their way into the hearts of the citizens of Sylva and Jackson county. Mrs. Ellis, as a talented musician, has given much time to many musical programs in Sylva, Cullowhee and other communities.

Mr. Ellis, a past president of the Sylva Rotary club, has been quite active in all religious and civic affairs of the city and county.

The Ellises have two children, Peggy and Tony, both students in Sylva school.

Mr. Buchanan comes to Sylva as no stranger. He and Mrs. Buchanan, the former Miss Annie Long, are both natives of Sylva. Mr. Buchanan was plant engineer for Armour Leather Company prior to acquisition of that plant by Mead some years ago, and later plant engineer for Mead here in Sylva. He was transferred to the Harriman plant in 1929 and has been Division manager there since 1934.

The Buchanans have three children, two married daughters, and a son, Ramsey, Jr., who will finish high school this spring.

The plant at Harriman, like the Sylva plant, is also engaged in a building expansion program which is being directed by Mr. Buchanan. His date of arrival in Sylva depends somewhat upon the progress of this program, Mead officials stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan are both

WILL WRITE NOVEL



John Parris, Jr., formerly with the Associated Press and the United Press, and native of Sylva has resigned from newspaper work to devote full-time to creative writing. He is currently gathering material and doing research for his 1st novel, tentatively titled: "How Far The Stars." For his setting, Mr. Parris has chosen Western North Carolina, and will use characters comparable to this locale, all of which will be fictional.

After gathering the necessary material, he plans to do the actual writing of the novel on an island off the eastern coast of North Carolina. Along with this he will do short stories and straight magazine articles dealing with this region. And will at the same time be absorbing atmosphere for a second novel he has in mind about the sea.

JACKSON HAS FIRST SNOW OF SEASON

Sylva and Jackson county received the first snow fall of the season early Saturday night when about half an inch covered the ground, causing slippery streets and highways. The heaviest snow, however, fell Tuesday, beginning about 8:30 a. m. and continuing well up into the day, with an average of around 4 inches for the area. Motorists found driving dangerous for a few hours. The weather warmed up and the snow turned to rain, melting much of it away through Tuesday night.

quite active workers in the Methodist church and civic affairs wherever they make their home, and Sylva extends them a most cordial welcome.

BROWN NAMED HEAD OF JACKSON UNIT OF FARM BUREAU

At a meeting of the Jackson county unit of the Farm Bureau attended by some 35 or 40 farmers Saturday morning Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee was elected president, filling the place of J. B. Coats, who resigned recently to accept work in another part of the state. Mr. Brown was moved up from vice president, and Dennis Higdon was named vice president in his place. Clifton Crisp, of Cullowhee was elected secretary-treasurer to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Mary Allen, resigned.

Following the business of electing the new officials, George Fathering, district field representative, made an interesting address on "What the Farmer Gets From Being A Member Of The Organization." He had some very definite figures and information direct from Washington proving that had it not been for the organized group of the bureau none of the farm benefit legislation would have been passed, beginning with the first back in 1933. The organization has been active since 1920 and is growing stronger and more active and influential each year, he stated.

Messrs. Blaine Nicholson and John T. Jones were elected delegates to the State meeting in Asheville in February.

A large number of new members were signed up at the meeting.

Claude Campbell Heads Firemen With Perfect Attendance Record

W. B. Cope, chief of the Sylva fire department has announced the attendance record of the 21 Sylva firemen in attending the regular weekly meetings. The record covers the past 35 weeks. The number after each member's name is the number of meetings he has missed out of the 35. Claude Campbell heads the list with a perfect score of 35 out of 35. Chief Cope comes next with only 2 absences and Grayson Cope has been absent only three times. Others are as follows: Tilgman Bass 8, D. M. Tallent 7, Phil Stovall 12, Woody Hampton 14, Ray Cogdill 9, Dick Wilson 6, O. E. Brookhyser 5, Felix Picklesimer 5, Ovid Beck 5, Dick Green 13, Dave Sorrells 3, Bob Phillips 8, Jake Bales 7, Boyd Sossamon 6, Charles McMahan 13, Jack Allison 13, and Charlie Campbell, who has been a member only 7 weeks has missed one out of the seven.

DANIELS LAID TO REST IN RALEIGH ON SATURDAY

Josephus Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, under Woodrow Wilson, and ambassador to Mexico under Franklin D. Roosevelt, and militant editor-publisher of the Raleigh News and Observer, was laid to rest after a simple, but impressive funeral services held on Saturday in his native city of Raleigh.

The famous Tarheel passed away last Thursday following a 12-day illness from bronchitis which developed into pneumonia. The 85-year old publisher and statesman had practically worn himself out in the public service of his state and nation.

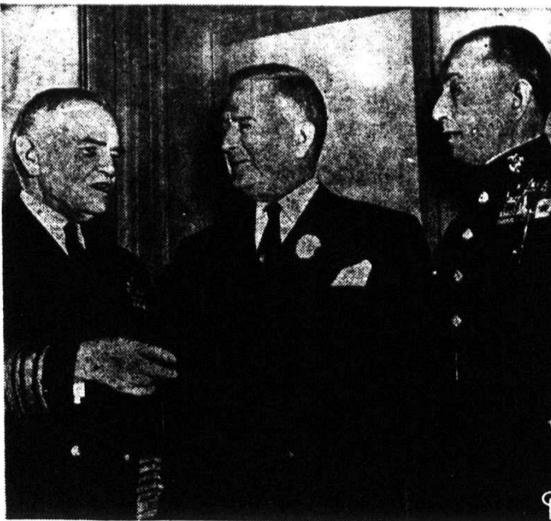
The wives of the two former presidents under whom the beloved Raleigh citizen served, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt, marched with the Daniels family behind the body of the deceased.

Blaze Reported At Sylva High School

An alarm turned in by state highway patrolman Houser sent the Sylva fire department hurrying to a small blaze at the Sylva High school at 9:30 P. M., Sunday. The fire had broken out when hot cinders were accidentally placed on a window sill. The fire destroyed only the sill, and no further damage was reported.

SOSSAMON'S In Sylva

DENIES MARINES HOLY LAND MISSION



AT A RALLY in Philadelphia marking the opening of Marine Corps Reserve Week throughout the nation, Gen. Clifton B. Cates (right), Commandant of the Marine Corps, said that no Marines were being sent to Palestine. He told reporters that the recent assignment of about 1,000 Leathernecks to Mediterranean Fleet units was purely routine. With General Cates are Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr., and Pennsylvania's Governor James H. Duff (center). (International Scoutphoto)

BROWN AND LANCE NAMED TO BOARD OF FARMER'S CO.-OP.

At a meeting of Jackson County Farmers Cooperative members at the courthouse Saturday morning Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee, and T. S. Lance of Cashiers, were named new members of the Board of Directors to fill the place of J. B. Coates and Mr. Shelton, who had resigned.

J. S. Mitchell, president of the Co-Op., presided and introduced J. S. Griffin, Secretary-Treasurer of Farmers Allied Co-Op., with office in Asheville, who told the members of the Jackson county unit that this was one of the best organized and fastest growing groups in any county of Western North Carolina.

President Mitchell urged the farmers to place their orders for fertilizer early this year if they wish to insure getting the amount required for their crops. The organization plans to handle only the highest grade fertilizers, Manager Southard of the local store, said. Lack of storage space prohibits stocking large quantities of fertilizer, he said, therefore farmers are urged to let the manager know how much he will require.

The officials of co-op. urged a larger membership of small stockholders rather than a few large stockholders. The organization is purely a farmers business and the more that are into it the more money each will save, Mr. Mitchell said.

LAST CALL FOR RAT KILLING CAMPAIGN

All persons in Jackson county interested in ridding themselves of rats that are so destructive to corn and other stored grain are urged to take part in the rat killing campaign sponsored jointly by the county agent, vocational Agriculture teachers, and health department. The surest way to get your bait will be to place your order with one of the above representatives at once. Unusually good response has been shown so far and it is hoped that this can be an annual affair for the farmers of this county.

Since rats may move from one farm to another it is important that every farmer take part in order to protect himself as well as his neighbors.

Give your order at once to one of the following: John Corbin, M. L. Snipes, or Charlie Thomas in Sylva; W. T. Brown, Cullowhee; or L. A. Ammon, Glenville.

MASS MEETING!

There will be a called mass meeting at the Sylva Baptist church, Saturday, January 24, at 2:30 P. M. Alcohol, beer and wine . . . what a curse to Jackson county, North Carolina, and to our nation! Let us help to make Jackson county a better place in which to live . . . free from this evil. The people of Jackson county are urged to attend.

C. M. Warren, Moderator
Tuckasee Baptist Association

Committee Announces Plans Completed For European Relief Drive

WELL KNOWN BAPTIST MINISTER CALLS FOR DRY VOTE FEB. 3RD

(By Rev. T. F. Deitz)
The lurking dangers along life's highways are many and deceptive, the traveler needs to watch and shun the lurking pitfalls, if he regards human life worthwhile. A good name and a good character are invaluable assets to happiness and well doing. These will not only save the observer but save others needless sorrow and suffering. To save others is the far reaching mission of all of us.

Victor Hugo, the great French writer, once said while addressing a large audience, largely composed of young men, "the world could afford to have all of the wheels of progress stopped and all of its activities suspended, if it were necessary to do so, to save one young man." Someone in the audience stood up and asked, "how long a time could the world stand still for such a purpose?" The speaker replied quickly, "for such time as should be necessary to save the young man."

VOTERS OF JACKSON COUNTY, can't you spend such time as is necessary and put forth such effort as you can to stamp out of your county that which endangers home and family? If by so doing you help save one life and one soul, you will not have lived in vain. Remember there are hundreds of little children looking to us citizens for future protection. Shall we deny them of that which they rightly deserve?
Has "wrong" ever been so tantalizing, blatant, and rampant as it is today? Has not lust covered the body social with the festering

DEATH CLAIMS JOHN A. BROWN

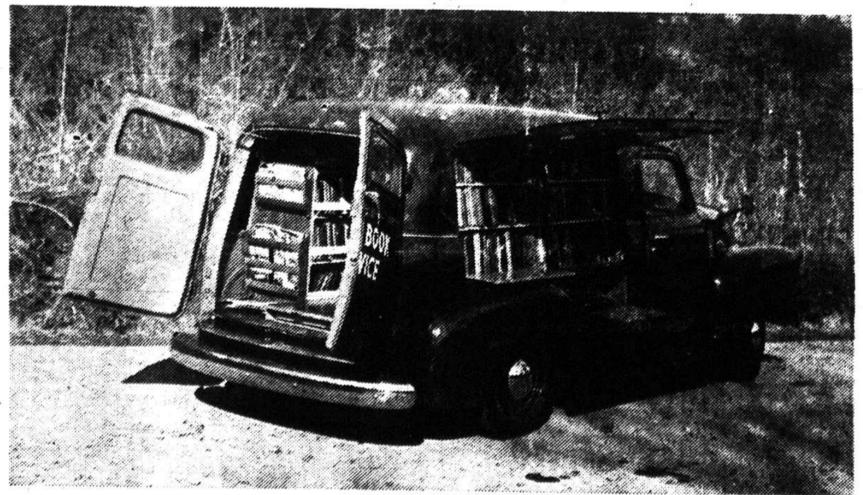
Funeral services for John A. Brown, 71, of Argura, were held Saturday, January 16, at the home. The Rev. Whitney Massingale and the Rev. Batson officiated. Interment was in the Sol's Creek cemetery.

Mr. Brown had been in failing health for several years.

He is survived by the widow, Margaret Phillips Brown; one sister, Mrs. Hute Middleton of East LaPorte; one brother, Bud Brown, of Argura, and a host of relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were nephews and grand-nephews of the deceased. Moody Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

NEW BOOKMOBILE FOR FONTANA REGIONAL LIBRARY SERVING JACKSON, MACON AND SWAIN COUNTIES



The new year 1948 is bringing a new bookmobile to the people in Jackson, Macon and Swain Counties. The panel truck, a 1947 Chevrolet, (1/2 ton), painted with white lettering, was purchased with state aid for public library funds by the Fontana Regional Library. Books, magazines and pamphlets are carried in this bookmobile to homes, stores, post-offices and schools in the rural areas of these three counties.

This is the first of 44 new bookmobiles bought by North Carolina libraries to be put into service. It holds approximately 1000 volumes, has a magazine rack on board, and both inside and outside shelving. An extra floor rolls out and makes a table for slipping books.

The schedule with this new bookmobile was begun on January 15. Stops will be made once every 5 weeks.

Incidentally, North Carolina has more bookmobiles in operation than any other state in the United States.

Wednesday, January 28, Is Date For Collection Of Clothing And Other Articles For Needy

The Jackson county committee for the drive to collect clothing, shoes, bed clothes, household articles, etc., to relieve deprivation in Europe and Asia, headed by Rev. W. Q. Grigg and Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., is getting down to real work, having already laid the framework for the local campaign, which will be held in the county January 28 as part of the state-wide project to "Fill a Ship with Friendship."

The following plans have been worked out for the actual collection of relief goods:

On Wednesday, January 28, the Senior Scouts under the direction of Mr. Jake Bales will make a house to house canvass to collect whatever is to be donated. People are requested to look through their things at home and select materials that can be spared and place them on the front porch or have them ready when the scouts arrive. A similar house to house canvass will be made at Cullowhee on the same day. In case of bad weather the canvass will be made as early as possible.

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HOOPER, SNYDER BACK AFTER AIR TRIP TO MIAMI

Like young birds trying out their wings for the first time, two young Sylva airmen took off January 8th for a warmer climate—Miami. Dan Fryson Hooper, who received his private flying licenses just before take-off, and Cary Reed Snyder, with most of his 45 hour course completed, lifted a Sylva Flying Service Cub Trainer into the air at 9 a. m. Thursday, January 8th, headed for Miami, warm weather and the Miami Air Maneuvers. The young pilots, both with little or no cross-country flying time, made a successful round-trip. Their first stop out of Sylva was Athens, Ga., then stopping at Forsythe, Douglas, and Waycross, Ga., spending the night at Waycross. They then hopped to Jacksonville, Daytona Beach, Vero Beach, and Miami.

After a pleasant stay in the Florida metropolis they took off on the 12th at 8:45, heading for home. After several stops they landed at Forsythe, Ga., for the night. Here they were weathered in until the 14th. On leaving Forsythe they made 110 miles per hour in the 75-mile per hour ship, a 35 mile tail wind helping them along. Rough weather over the Covee almost did the boys in—but a few minutes later they set the Cub down on the home field without incident.

The boys said that on arriving in Miami they were held in the air for 30 minutes before being able to land due to the many ships in the air. They said that when they left Miami it was pouring down rain, but after about 30 minutes the weather cleared.

Hooper and Snyder, both veterans of World War II, are taking their flying lessons under the GI program at the Sylva Flying field under instruction of Johnny Watson, manager of the field.

GI TRAINING PROGRAM

The GI Flying Training program at the local field now includes a class of eight young men, Mr. Watson, has announced. The men taking the training in the present class include our two Florida flyers, Hooper and Snyder, and Ernest Janson, Jr., Francis Kirpatrick, Floyd Morton, Felix Picklesimer, Hoyt B. Robinson, and John Cline, Jr.

The course calls for 45 hours of flying instruction to be completed within a period of 16 weeks. Mr. Watson now has two trainers, one Cub and an advanced trainer, Waco UPL-7. He expects to have two new additional trainers this spring. All expenses of the course is paid for by the Veterans Administration.

Southeastern Artificial Breeders Association Is Formed For Western N.C.

Asheville, January 19—Special—The Southeastern Artificial Breeding association, a new project sponsored by the Farmers Federation with the cooperation of the extension service of the North Carolina department of agriculture, has begun operations here, it was announced by James G. K. McClure, president of the Federation.

The project, which is predicted to double the milk production of the average Western North Carolina cow within the next ten years, is housed in a huge barn on the Asheville-Charlotte highway, just beyond the American Legion golf course. A battery of 25 high-index proven sires, representing registered Holsteins, Jerseys and Guernseys are now situated in the barn and activities have begun which will allow each farmer in North Carolina to improve his dairy herd, it was pointed out by Mr. McClure.

The barn was constructed with special attention to safety features to protect the caretaker of the bulls as well as laboratory technicians. A modern laboratory is contained in the barn with all the necessary

equipment to carry on the work, and a modern home has been constructed adjacent to the barn to house the caretaker and his family.

Only proven bulls will be used in the stud, Mr. McClure pointed out. He added that a nation-wide search has been made for bulls that will come up to the standards required by the Southeastern Artificial Breeding association, and no bull will be acquired for this purpose unless the records of his daughters show that he transmits milk and butterfat production.

J. R. Prentice, of Chicago, is the proprietor of this service, Mr. McClure said. Mr. Prentice and his assistant, Philip Higley, formerly with the Dairy Extension department at Cornell university, have been here recently making arrangements for the opening of the new enterprise. Maury Gaston former county agent of Iredell county, is extension representative of Southeastern.

Dairymen of many North Carolina counties have formed associations in their counties to work in conjunction with Southeastern.

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